

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : BOX PATENT APPLICATIONS

Martin SUMMER et al. : Examiner: Unassigned

Serial No.: Unassigned : Group Art Unit: Unassigned

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For: MOLDED ELEMENT THAT CONSISTS OF BRITTLE-FRACTURE MATERIAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3,	Line 1:	Delete "or 2".
Claim 4,	Line 1:	Delete "or 2".
Claim 5,	Line 1:	Delete "at least one of claims 1 to" and insert --claim 1,--.
	Line 2:	Delete "4,".
Claim 6,	Line 1:	Delete "at least one of claims 1 to" and insert --claim 1,--.
	Line 2:	Delete "5,".
Claim 8,	Line 1:	Delete "at least one of claims 1 to" and insert --claim 1,--.
	Line 2:	Delete "7,".
Claim 10,	Line 1:	Delete "at least one of claims 1 to" and insert --claim 1,--.
	Line 2:	Delete "9,".

REMARKS

A principal purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to remove the multiply dependent claims and avoid the fee associated therewith, applicant reserving the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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